## **REMARKS**

Claims 45 and 49 have been amended and claims 46 and 53 have been canceled. Claims 1-5, 7-28, 30-45, 47-52, 54-59 and 61-68 are pending in the application. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 45 and 49 have been amended to include subject matter that the Examiner indicated would be allowable. Specifically, claim 45 has been amended to include the allowable subject matter from claim 46 and claim 49 has been amended to include the allowable subject matter from claim 53. Therefore, Applicants assert that claims 45 and 49, as well as their respective dependent claims are in condition for allowance.

## **Allowed Claims:**

The Examiner has allowed claims 1-5, 7-28, 30-44, 55-59 and 61-68.

**CONCLUSION** 

Applicants submit the application is in condition for allowance, and prompt notice

to that effect is respectfully requested.

If any fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge said fees to

Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert, & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 501505/5181-

67300/RCK.

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